Smart consumers – Shopping for a party!

SLO: To practice being a smart consumer by learning to make judgements about the best value for money.

One tip for being a smart consumer is shopping around for the best prices. Complete this activity using supermarket ‘circulars’, online shopping, or going to different shops, and then complete the task below.

Help shop for a party by being a Smart Consumer. Calculate the cost of the items at each supermarket and, based on your findings, make a decision as to which supermarket provides the best deal. Present all the information on a chart. You will need to create a party food list   
(minimum 20 items) and choose a minimum of two supermarkets to compare prices.

This is an example of an appropriate party shopping list for 20 people:

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| ITEM | Minimum amount needed: | Shop A :Price per unit of measurement | Shop A: Total price for items | Shop B: Price per unit of measurement | | Shop A: Total price for items | **Best Shop** |
| Fruit Juice | 4 Litres |  |  |  | |  |  |
| Fizzy Drink | 8 Litres | $1.10/1L | $8.80 | $2/2L | | $8.00 | B |
| Potato Chips | 6 packets |  |  |  | |  |  |
| Dip | 3 tubs |  |  |  | |  |  |
| Peanuts | 2 packets |  |  |  | |  |  |
| Rice Crackers |  |  |  |  | |  |  |
| Meat patties | 36 |  |  |  | |  |  |
| Tomato Sauce | 500g |  |  |  | |  |  |
| Mayonnaise | 350g |  |  |  | |  |  |
| Tomato | 8 |  |  |  | |  |  |
| Lettuce | 3 |  |  |  | |  |  |
| Cheese | 1kg |  |  |  | |  |  |
| Hamburger rolls – x6 | 30 |  |  |  | |  |  |
| Butter/marg | 1kg |  |  |  | |  |  |
| Packets of lollies | 5 packets |  |  |  | |  |  |
| Plastic cups | 25 |  |  |  | |  |  |
| Paper plates | 25 |  |  |  | |  |  |
| Serviettes | 25 |  |  |  | |  |  |
| Balloons | 10 |  |  |  | |  |  |
| Grand Totals: | | Shop A: | | | Shop B: | | |
| Best Shop Overall: | |  | | | | | |

Once you have completed finding out the prices of your goods and the best value shop overall, present your findings in poster form.

Your poster should include:

1. A suitable heading explaining what the purpose of aim of the task was
2. A completed table, (see above), showing the items compared and the prices of the goods at the different supermarkets
3. A conclusion about your investigation.

* What was the outcome of the study?
* Which shop offered the best value for money, etc?
* Your conclusion may start like this: ( The Greenworld Shop in Timbuktoo offers consumers best value for money because.......

1. Remember to include appropriate Images, borders, etc. **AND YOUR NAME**